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SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

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Southern Command personnel handled 1,315 crashes as compared to 1,143 crashes in June of 2006. As compared to last year, crashes that resulted in fatalities decreased by 62%. In actual numbers, there were 3 fatal crashes this year in June and 8 last year. Overall total crashes increased by 15% as compared to June 2006. The Southern Command preliminary documentation identified an 12 % decrease in the overall number of commercial vehicle crashes as compared to last year. Of the 65 commercial crashes investigated this month, one resulted in a fatality; 13 resulted in injuries, and the remaining 51 were property damage. Crashes involving commercial vehicles represented 4.9% of the total crashes handled by the Southern Command.

The Administrative Services Section of the Southern Command processed 1,629 crash reports in June 2007. This resulted in 6,267 crash reports being mailed out, 19 % less than last year during June. There were 697 visitors, requesting police services, at the Front Office which was also a decrease of 17% when compared to June 2006. The Southern Command Communication Center also logged 26,283 CAD incidents and 36,414 telephone calls. The CAD incidents can be attributed to field enforcement and response to traffic crashes, motorist assists, debris removal, medical assists, allied agency assistance, and traffic hazard mitigation.

The Southern Command had a decrease in overall traffic enforcement of 10% in June 2007, as compared to June 2006. This decrease is associated with an increase in crashes along with an increase in the number of persons arrested during the month, which takes away from proactive enforcement times. Total DUI arrests prior to crashes were unchanged as compared to last year. DUI arrests from crashes increased by 3 % as compared to June 2007.

The Commercial Enforcement Section increased its hazardous moving violation enforcement by 2.6 % and increased all other violations by 13%. Additionally there was a 14 % increase of inspections during June that resulted in 118 vehicles and 55 drivers being placed "Out of Service".

The Southern Command is driven to provide this community with a professional and effective law enforcement presence. The Southern Command extends a thank you to all those who assisted us in gaining success in our law enforcement services this past month.

CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	June-07		June-06	% Change		May-07	% Change
Total crashes	1315		1143	15.0%		1383	-4.9%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	986		831	18.7%		1028	-4.1%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	326		304	7.2%		344	-5.2%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	3		8	-62.5%		11	-72.7%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	67		65	3.1%		93	-28.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	3		8	-62.5%		12	-75.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	1		3	-66.7%		4	-75.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		2	-200.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	1		3	-66.7%		3	-66.7%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		2	-200.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	1		0	100.0%		3	-66.7%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	65		74	-12.2%		85	-23.5%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	51		59	-13.6%		68	-25.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	13		14	-7.1%		15	-13.3%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	1		1	0.0%		2	-50.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes .2 %
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 5.1%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 50%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 4.9%
- ✱ Total crashes up 15 % compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes down 12 % from last year.
- ✱ Fatality crashes down 62.5 % as compared to last year.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Analysis and review of current reporting period, versus same period in previous fiscal year, versus previous reporting period]

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	June 07		June 06	% Change		May 07	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	67		65	3.1%		93	-28.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes ##	146		146	0.0%		153	-4.6%
Other arrests	990		1071	-7.6%		908	9.0%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	472		420	12.4%		397	18.9%
Speed violations	3665		3486	5.1%		3613	1.4%
Hazardous moving violations	2171		2795	-22.3%		2222	-2.3%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	550		781	-29.6%		676	-18.6%
Total violations [above violations included]	10749		11954	-10.1%		10719	0.3%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	78		76	2.6%		76	2.6%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	280		215	30.2%		261	7.3%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	919		800	14.9%		1044	-12.0%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	4		26	-84.6%		12	-66.7%
Total safety violations -- citation	382		337	13.4%		491	-22.2%
Total safety violations -- repair order	1981		2082	-4.9%		2151	-7.9%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	118		130	-9.2%		131	-9.9%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	55		63	-12.7%		84	-34.5%
Total school buses inspected	56		5	1020.0%		137	-59.1%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	9		0	900.0%		25	-64.0%
Total trucks weighed	54		1775	-97.0%		1816	-97.0%
Total overweight citations	32		58	-44.8%		52	-38.5%
Total dyed fuel inspections	923		828	11.5%		1055	-12.5%
Total dyed fuel citations	1		6	-83.3%		1	0.0%

*Seatbelt and Child Restraint ## Commercial Operations Activity Included

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]	Urban Ops		Rural Ops		Task Force
Level 2/3 Inspections					3
Safety Violations Citation			4		
Safety Violations Repair Order					2
Drivers Placed "Out of Service"					
Dyed Fuel Inspections			2		
Dyed Fuel Citations			2		

DUI / IMPAIRMENT ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC 0.15%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 31 years old.
- ✱ 1 of the submitted lab tests of DUI drivers arrested tested positive for controlled substance.
- ✱ 5.6% of drivers arrested had prior DUI convictions.
- ✱ 2.2% of drivers arrested had 2 prior DUI convictions.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	June 2007		June 2006	% Change		May 2007	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions from Console	525,203		107,616	388.0%		354,151	48.3%
Radio Tx and Receive totals	1,273,250		N/A	N/A		895,592	42.2%
CAD Incidents	26,283		28,771	-8.6%		26,178	0.4%
Telephone Calls	36,414		36,229	0.5%		37,247	-2.2%
Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only]	25		65	-61.5%		10	150.0%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	1,629		1,391	17.1%		1,736	-6.2%
Arrest Reports Processed	307		497	-38.2%		387	-20.7%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	42		32	31.3%		19	121.1%
Vehicle Impound Releases	101		190	-46.8%		114	-11.4%
Visitors at Counter	697		840	-17.0%		1,100	-36.6%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	6,267		7,773	-19.4%		8,729	-28.2%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	1075		432	148.8%		1,369	-21.5%
Warrants Entered	347		1120	-69.0%		396	-12.4%
Warrants Cleared	468		313	49.5%		445	5.2%
Warrants Validated	606		1298	-53.3%		1,336	-54.6%
Extradition / Transports	13		11	18.2%		14	-7.1%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	73		98	-25.5%		56	30.4%
New Items Submitted	151		253	-40.3%		122	23.8%
Items Disposed	15		75	-80.0%		47	-68.1%

EVIDENCE

- ✱ Nevada Highway Patrol responsible for 82.2 % of case submissions.
- ✱ Parole and Probation responsible for 13.7 % of case submissions.
- ✱ Division of Investigation responsible for 2.7 % of case submissions.
- ✱ State Fire Marshal was responsible for 0 % of case submissions.
- ✱ Attorney General's Office is responsible for 1.4% of case submissions.

CONTRACT SERVICES

- 15 Contracts using 300.4 hours, billed in the amount of \$19,220.84

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Phone Activity	Press Releases	Media Interview/TV	PIO Meetings	Accident Response
973	8	65	26	7

Website E-Mail Traffic	E-Mail Responses	Public Relations Projects	News Articles Total	Proactive News Articles	Reactive News Articles
505	349	37	51	38	13

Community service appearances:

- Las Vegas College, Arbor View H.S., Mojave H.S., Cheyenne H.S., Cimarron Memorial H.S., Rosemary Clark M.S., Cully E.S.

Additional Appearances and Meetings:

- Delivery and training on new Seatbelt Convincer
- Seatbelt and Traffic Safety Presentation w/AAA Nevada
- Guest speaker at Safeway Driving Academy
- Guest speaker at Northwest Driving School
- Attorney General's Advisory Coalition on Impaired Driving
- Goshin Coalition – Methamphetamine information
- Special Olympics Tip a Cop at Joe's Crab Shack
- Taping of 3 new PSAs for CBS Radio
- Planning of Joining Forces Recognition Banquet
- NHTSA teen aged seat belt planning meeting
- NHTSA seatbelt survey informational meeting
- Work with statewide consultant group / expansion of P.A.C.E. Teen program
- 2 appearances supporting the Governor's signing of new laws

PIO Projects:

1. HEAT Racing.
2. Driver's Edge Program.
3. Child seat check; Safekids and AAA.
4. Delivery of DUI Simulator
5. Use of Seatbelt Simulator.